

DEMURRER TO 2 COUNTS SUSTAINED

Charges of Malfeasance and Immorality in
Case of County Clerk Knocked Out
by Court; Defense Overruled
on Other Points

JURY IS SELECTED AND TRIAL OPENS

County Attorney Makes Statement and
Counsel for Defense Reserve Same;
Ross Cox First Witness Called
by Prosecution

Judge Cham Jones of Waurika con-
victed court this morning in the dis-
tinct court room, having exchanged
several times with Judge Will Linn during
trial of the case of the State vs.
P. Bradley, county clerk of Grady
county.

Attorneys Bond, Melton and Bond
and Holding and Herr appeared as
counsel for the defense, while County
Attorney Venable and Assistant Swan
were representing the state.

With the convening of court and the
call of the docket, both the state
and the defense announced ready for
trial.

Attorneys for the defendant, with
the convening of court, began argu-
ments asking that demurrers hereto-
fore filed in the case be sustained by
the court.

A demurrer attacking the validity of
the manner in which the constitutional
amendment had been adopted was
sustained by Attorney Almer Melton in
relation to the amendment making
drunkenness in office a cause for re-
moval from office. The attorney
argued that this amendment was
adopted at the same time and by the
same means as were the amendments
known as the "anti-gambling laws,"
which the courts have held to have
been illegal on account of irregularity
in manner of adoption.

Demurrers to counts five and six in
the indictments were sustained by the
court. These two counts charge de-
fendant with malfeasance in office in
connection with the purchase by the
county of the present court house and
with immoral conduct.

The demurrers to counts one, two,
three and four were overruled and the
matter of selecting a jury taken up.
Fifty jurors, those of the regular pan-
els and of the special venire, were
present. The work of the selection be-
gan at 11 o'clock in the morning and
was completed at 2 o'clock in the
afternoon.

County Attorney Venable made the
statement of the case to the jury and
set forth what the state would allege
against the defendant and what it
would attempt to substantiate by the
witnesses.

Mr. Venable said that the state
would show that on divers and numer-
ous occasions the defendant had been
guilty of drunkenness in office.

Attorneys for the defense stated
that the defense would reserve all
statements for the present.

At 2:15 o'clock the first witness of
the state, Ross Cox, deputy county
clerk, was sworn and took the stand.
The jurors trying the case are E. M.
Hutchison, H. Eden, Louis Tucker, E.
J. Klager, Milton Trammell, J. A.
Brooker, R. O. Williams, B. W. Pink-
ston, D. W. Linn, A. E. Malcom, W. W.
Barn and Walter Jones.

TODAY'S ODDER STORY.

By United Press.
GALION, O., Jan. 31.—Hey
Diogenes came here with that
lantern. Fire Chief H.
C. Spencer has just been
granted his earnest petition
that his pay be cut from \$900
to \$300 per year. Sponsorer
said his private business took
part of his time and that his
services were worth but \$300 to
the city. He has been a member
of the fire department for fifty
years.

CASES ARE CERTIFIED

Five cases wherein the grand jury,
at its recent session, returned indict-
ments against parties charged with
misdemeanors, have been certified
over to the county court and entered
upon the docket of that judicial body.
In the matter of Oscar Davis and
Walter Click, indicted jointly on liquor
charges the defendants have appeared
before Judge Davenport, enter pleas
of guilty and been fined in the sum of
\$25 each. Returns have not been made
on service issued against other de-
fendants.

FOUR YEARS FOR POPE IS VERDICT

Jury Reported Sunday Morning After Ap-
parently Being Hopelessly Deadlocked;
Out Nearly 46 Hours; Passing
of Sentence Postponed

Hugh Pope, charged with killing Mar-
vin Chittwood, July 23, 1915, was found
guilty by the jury and his punishment
assessed at four years in the state
penitentiary at McAlester.

The trial of this case occupied the
court's attention during the entire
days of Thursday and Friday. Over
20 witnesses had been subpoenaed by
the prosecution and the defense. A venire
of 70 takersmen were used in secur-
ing the panel to try the case. Attor-
neys for the state and the defense took
seven hours of the court's time in
arguing the matter.

The case was given to the jury at
6:15 Friday evening. At 11 o'clock
Saturday morning the jury reported in-
to court that an agreement seemed im-
possible. Judge Linn, however, order-
ed the return of the jurors to the jury
room for further consideration of the
case. At 6 o'clock Sunday morning
the court was called and told that a
verdict had been agreed upon. Judge
Linn came to the court house and re-
ceived the verdict. The jury was out
in this case approximately 46 hours.
Sentence has not been passed.

RAISE \$145 FOR RELIEF

It was announced by L. Erlich to-
day that a total of \$145 had been re-
ceived in voluntary contributions and
through solicitation for the relief
of Jewish war sufferers in Europe. This
amount has been forwarded to the cen-
tral relief committee in New York
city.

Following the issuance of proclama-
tions by the president, the governor
of the state and the mayor of the
city, calling for the observance of
Jewish relief day last week, a com-
mittee called upon the citizens of
Chickasha and met with responses
that were regarded as generous. The
committee was composed of J. W.
Kaysor, W. Hamilton, J. W. Speake, S.
J. Goldsmith and L. Erlich. "We wish
to thank the mayor and all who con-
tributed," said Mr. Erlich.

PRESIDENT IS CHEERED

By United Press.
MILWAUKEE, Wis., Jan. 31.—Presi-
dent Wilson arrived here from Chicago
today at 12:20 p. m. He went im-
mediately to his hotel.
En route here the president spoke
bare-headed in the bitter cold from the
rear platform of the train at Wauke-
gan, Kenosha and Racine and he was
cheered by thousands at each stop.
The president's speech here is ex-
pected to be one of the most important
of his life.

DECLARES BLOCKADE IMPOSSIBLE

German Admiralty Asserts Great Britain
Unable to Shut Off Commerce in Baltic;
Enemy Submarines Have No
Success

MORE BOMBS ARE DROPPED ON PARIS

French Airmen Attack Zeppelin but Invader
Escapes in Fog; Many Killed and
Injured and Property Damage
Reaches Hundred Thousand

By CHARLES W. ACKERMAN.
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)
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BERLIN (via wireless)—An effec-
tive blockade of Germany is impossi-
ble, Admiral Von Holtenau, chief
of the German admiralty staff, declared
today in an exclusive statement to
the United Press.

England, the admiral said, could un-
der no circumstances stop commerce
in the Baltic sea between Sweden and
Denmark and Germany.

For weeks, the admiral pointed out,
no British submarine has had any
success in the Baltic and the Russian
fleet is frozen up in Russian harbors.

The only effect of a declaration of
a blockade by the allies, the admiral
stated, would be upon neutrals and
upon the women and children of Ger-
many. He hinted strongly that Ger-
many is prepared for any action by
Great Britain.

Ten Bombs Dropped.
By United Press.
PARIS, Jan. 31.—Ten incendiary
bombs were dropped by German air
invaders in an open field in the su-
burban section of Paris.

French air patrols attacked a Zepp-
elin which fled northward and escaped
in a fog.

It was stated officially today that
26 persons were killed and 32 injured
in the German raid Saturday night.
The property damage was placed at
\$100,000.

The Paris newspapers are urging the
French authorities to make retaliatory
raids on large German cities.

Amabassador Reports.
By United Press.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 31.—Am-
bassador Sharp reported to the state
department today that the Zeppelin
raids on Paris covered a small but
thickly populated portion of the city.
He reported that ten persons were kil-
led and twenty injured.

WOULD BE CO. CLERK

In another column will be found the
announcement of E. Brightwell as a
candidate for the office of county clerk,
subject to the action of the Democratic
party in the August primary.

Mr. Brightwell is a native of Texas,
having come from that state to Grady
county soon after statehood. He has
been engaged in farming and in the
profession of teaching for the past
six years. Although he has long made
a special study of public affairs, he
has never before offered himself as a
candidate for public office. He says:

"In making this announcement I
realize fully the responsibility implied
by the step, that the public official is
truly the servant of the people; how-
ever, I feel my experience amply qual-
ifies me for the discharge of the duties
of county clerk in an efficient and
satisfactory manner. I shall appreciate
extremely the support of all who may
view my candidacy favorably."

Mr. Brightwell is familiar with the
legal technique of the office he seeks,
is a good accountant, and a man of
energy. He invites the closest scruti-
ny of his record as a private citizen
and as a man. He will make an earn-
est effort to meet all the voters of
the county during the course of the
campaign.

At the present time Mr. Brightwell
is teaching at College Mound, in the
southwestern part of the county.

CAPITOL AT WASHINGTON AFTER SNOWSTORM



This is how the capitol building at Washington looked the other day after a heavy fall of snow.

BUILDING CONTRACT AWARDED

Describes Estate to Erect Structure 50
by 160 Near Fourth and Kansas for
Ford Motor Company; Con-
struction to Start at Once

Following closely upon the letting
a contract by J. H. Griffin for the
erection of a garage building for Bar-
ton Bro. on Kansas avenue, comes the
announcement today that a similar
structure will be built for the Ford
Motor company on the same street.

Ben F. Johnson of the First National
bank, gave out the news that the
Kerla Descombes estate had awarded
the contract for a building which will
be 50 by 160 feet, facing on Kansas
avenue immediately to the rear of the
Spinning building, which is now occu-
pied by J. P. Wolverton, the Ford
dealer.

Mr. Johnson stated that the Lisle
Dunning Construction company had
secured the contract and that work
on the structure will begin at once
and be pushed to conclusion as rapid-
ly as the weather will permit. The
building will be one story, but it is
so planned that another story can be
added to it if deemed desirable.

"We shall continue to occupy the
Spinning building as a sales room," said
Mr. Wolverton. "Our new room will
have a completely equipped work shop
and we shall do a general garage busi-
ness, including storage of cars and all
kinds of repairing."

ATTENDING BRADLEY TRIAL.

Nim Wyatt, D. R. Baker, L. W. Long,
W. M. Huntley and William Pursley,
all of Rush Springs, and Ed Vaughan
and J. A. Corzine of Alex and W. A.
Bryant of Pocomet are in the city to-
day as witnesses in the matter of the
State vs. Bradley, now on trial.

TEXAS COWBOY CUTS WIDE SOCIAL SWATH

By United Press.
NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—Jean H. M.
Steyr, the youthful husband of the
widow of "Silent" Smith, a society man
in New York and Palm Beach, is Jack
Thompson of Waco, Texas cowboy, ac-
cording to a story printed by the New
York World today.

As the story is told by the World,
"Steyr," misnaming as a distin-
guished French gentleman from Tron-
ville and as such received at the White
house and in the most exclusive so-
ciety circles, is in reality just the
plain John Thompson of Waco, news-
boy, hotel clerk, haberdasher, sales-

WEATHER FORECAST.

During twenty-four hours ending 8
a. m. today:
Tonight, fair cold-r; Tuesday, fair,
Local Temperature.
Minimum, 29 degrees.
Maximum, 21 degrees.
Precipitation Saturday night and
Sunday, .54 inch.

U. S. SUB. IS STILL MISSING

By United Press.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 31.—Up
to this morning no trace has been
found of the U. S. submarine K-5,
which has been lost in a fog off Char-
leston, S. C., since 1 o'clock Sunday
morning.

The missing vessel, carried a crew
of two officers and twenty-five men,
including Luther Tredway of Blooming
Grove, Tex.

A flotilla of craft from the Charle-
ston and Norfolk navy yards is combing
the Atlantic between Cape Hatteras
and Charleston.

The K5, with three other submarines
and the monitor Tallahassee, was en
route from New York to Pensacola for
winter maneuvers. It is generally be-
lieved that the submarine ran aground
in the fog or that its fuel is exhausted
forcing it to lay to and await help.

man and chorus man who lived in a
hall bedroom in a New York tenement
eight years ago.
The World says, "Nothing that Steyr
has ever done makes it necessary for
him to deny that he is Thompson. He
is the son of a poor, but estimable old
southern family. He assumed the name
Steyr when he married Caroline Red-
field in Jersey City in 1903. The of-
ficial record shows that he then gave
as the names of his father and mother
the names of the father and mother
of the missing Thompson."
The World story also asserts that
other identifications of the man in
New York and Texas are positive.

DENTISTS DINED AT COLLEGE

President Austin Host at Banquet Tendered
to Visitors Saturday Evening; Next
Meeting of Association Will
Be Held at Lawton

Following a most pleasant afternoon
and evening sessions, with a banquet
served in the interim, the dentists of
the southwestern district of the Okla-
homa Dental association, adjourned
shortly before midnight Saturday
night.

The afternoon and the evening ses-
sions were held at the city hall, the
afternoon session being devoted to gen-
eral business and the evening session
to the reading of papers. A part of
the afternoon session was devoted to
clinics, a number of cases of interest
to the profession being present.

A part of the evening session was
devoted to combating the chill atmos-
phere which the dentists averse per-
meated the room in which the meeting
was held. "The radiators hummed,"
the dental gentlemen aver, "but the
heat came not."

At 7 o'clock Saturday evening the
dentists, with a number of guests re-
paired to the O. W. C., where an elab-
orate banquet was served. Dr. Austin
president of the institution acting as
host of the occasion.

Covers were laid for 50 guests and
a most pleasant span of time was
spent by all. Many of the members
of the medical profession of Chickasha
were present as the invited guests of
their brothers of the dental profession.
President Dr. Robertson, of the asso-
ciation acted as toastmaster and a
number of toasts were responded to in
happy vein by the different ones called
upon.

Following the reading of interesting
papers upon professional subjects, at
the evening session, the meeting ad-
journd to meet during the later part
of October in Lawton.

WHY GIRLS SHOULD WEAR BIG SHOES.

By United Press.
LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 31.
—Tight shoes make bad tem-
pers, according to a bulletin is-
sued by the Young Women's
Christian association here. An
investigation by the employ-
ment bureau of the organiza-
tion revealed that many girls
lost their jobs because they got
"peevish" at their employers,
all on account of pinching boots
jangling their nerves. The
first requirement of a girl seek-
ing work through the Y. W.
C. A. here now is—wear big
shoes.

REPORT OF FIRE CHIEF TO COUNCIL

Shows Total of 53 Fires During Past Year
and Gives List of Causes; Losses
Aggregate \$15,482.50;
Equipment Described

COST OF OPERATING DEPARTMENT \$10,395

Recommends Purchase of Motor Apparatus
or New Team; House to House In-
spection Nearly Completed;
Many Defects Corrected

The following is the report of Fire
Chief Gattis for the past year, as sub-
mitted to and filed by the city coun-
cil:

"CHICKASHA, Okla., Jan., 1916.
To the Honorable Mayor and City
Council of the City of Chickasha,
Okla.:

"Gentlemen: I hereby submit the re-
port of the Chickasha fire department
for the year commencing January 1,
1915, and ending January 1, 1916.

"Number of fires during the year,
33; consisting of defective flues, 11;
grass, 7; unknown, 8; gas explosion,
1; stoves, 6; children and matches, 3;
carelessness, 1; incendiary, 1; short
circuit, 2; lamp explosion, 1; burning
kites in hen house, 1; burning whisky
in sewer, 1; trash, 2; fireplace, 1;
friction on shaft, 1.

"The total loss on all fires was \$15-
482.50; number of blocks traveled to
all fires, 307; number of pieces of ap-
paratus used was 88; chemicals used
was 35 gallons; number of feet of
hose laid, 21,150; ladders used, 57
feet.

"The department consists of ten
paid men, with no 'call' men and no
'volunteers.'

"(The report gives a list of accidents
and men off duty during the year.)
"Apparatus as follows: 1 city serv-
ice truck, H. & L., valued at \$1,850;
1 hose wagon, valued at \$850; 1 combi-
nation hose and chemical, valued at
\$1,500; 1 chief's buggy valued at \$200;
3 head of horses, valued at \$1,200; 4-
200 feet of 2 1/2 inch hose, valued at
\$4,900.

"Expense of the Chickasha fire de-
partment from January 1, 1915, to Jan-
uary 1, 1916: Salaries, for year, \$8,299-
14; expenses for fuel, \$2,098.68; to-
tal for year, \$10,395.82.

"Recommendations to city council:
"I hereby recommend that your hon-
orable body purchase one auto fire en-
gine, including pumping engine and
chemical, fully equipped for fire serv-
ice.

"If council cannot take action on the
above motor apparatus, I recommend
that the city council appropriate \$600
for purchase of new fire team, as one
of the teams is getting old and unfit
for service, this appropriation to be
made for immediate use.

"Number of electrical permits is-
sued from June, 1911, to January 1,
1916, 242; total amount of permits,
\$255.95.

"I am having a house to house in-
spection made of the city for fire haz-
ards, which work is progressing very
nicely, resulting in numerous defects
being corrected. This work has re-
quired about sixty days time and al-
though a small portion of the city is
completed, though the inclemency of
the weather the past few days has de-
layed the completion of this work
somewhat.

"In compliance with your honorable
body's request, I notified owners and
agents of property located on lots 1, 2,
3, 4, 5, in block 41, to remove said
buildings within thirty days from date
of notice, buildings that were located
on lots 1, 2, 3 have been removed.
Buildings located on lots 4, 5 will be
removed within the next ten days, ac-
cording to a statement made by Mr.
J. H. Mills (agent) this morning
(January 27, 1916).

"Respectfully submitted,
"GEORGE GATTIS,
"Chief Fire Department."

Court Clerk Newman issued the fol-
lowing marriage licenses Saturday:
Guy Harris, aged 21, to Miss Bertha
Dearman, aged 18, both of Naples;
H. Myers, aged 28, to Miss Mary
Rosecrans, aged 16, both of Blanch-
in the last instance the father of
the bride gave his consent to the mar-
riage by phone.